

Privacy Act Statement for Private Contractors Contracting Out of Collection Work

The Privacy Act of 1974 states that when Internal Revenue Service (IRS) asks you for information, they must first tell you their legal right to ask for the information, why they are asking for it, and how it will be used. The IRS must also tell you what could happen if you do not provide the information and whether or not you must respond under the law.

We are a private contractor hired by the Department of Treasury to assist IRS with certain collection activities. We are contacting you to request information as part of our contract responsibilities. The information will be used by IRS to collect the balance of taxes you owe. The IRS may use the information to file Federal Tax Liens and Levies against your property if you do not keep any payment arrangement that you make with them. Providing the requested information to us is voluntary; however, if you do not provide it any payment arrangements you may wish to make with the IRS may not be accepted by them. Also, if you do not provide the requested information the IRS may take immediate collection action.

The Internal Revenue Service's authority to request information from you is the Internal Revenue Code sections 6001, 6011, and 6012(a) and their implementing regulations. Public Law 104-208 permits the Department of Treasury to hire us to act as IRS's agent and ask you about your employment, bank records, and current address and telephone number. All information we receive will be provided to the IRS. We will not use the information you provide to us for any other purpose. As provided by law, IRS may give the information to other federal agencies, cities, states, U.S. commonwealths or possessions to carry out their tax laws, and to foreign governments due to tax treaties they have with the United States.

Our contacts with you will be to remind you of the amount you owe IRS, inform you of IRS expectations for resolving your account, and explain payment options which the IRS may agree to for the resolution of your account.

Please keep this notice with your records. If you have any questions regarding our right to ask you for information please call the IRS at 1-800-829-1040 or visit any Internal Revenue Service office.